

HOSKINS March of Dimes Drive Is Now over \$413

The town team defeated the Hosking Huskies 47-70 in a game Friday night for the March of Dimes. The Indians' volleyball team defeated the Hosking high school girls team.

Between the games a musical reading was given by Ruth Ann Troutman, accompanied by Cennie Sue Troutman, Mrs. Ardith Bowman and Mrs. Leora Mahan, teachers in the upper elementary and lower elementary grades, had their pupils do two square dance numbers.

A film, "In Daily Battle with Polio," was shown.

Mrs. Chris Peterson, treasurer of the Wayne county March of Dimes, gave a talk and a report.

P-T-A sold lunch. Proceeds amounted \$41.75 and door receipts, \$37.95. The home-to-home canvass and business district canvass brought \$65.73.

Mrs. Erwin Ulrich, chairman, was assisted by Mrs. Hans Asmus and Mrs. W. C. Mahan.

Mrs. Erwin Ulrich was also chairman of Hoskins precinct. She was assisted by Ed Strate, Mrs. William Riggert, Eric Meier, Mrs. Wayne Thomas, Fred Ober and Mrs. Fred Johnson.

The precinct drive totaled \$385. Clubs and aids donated \$31.81; the parochial and public school contributed \$21.32.

This boosts Hoskins' March of Dimes drive total to \$413.03.

Canasta Club
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Goshen entertained Canasta club at their home Friday evening. Next meeting will be at the Harry Drevsen home.

Mrs. Clarence Johnson was a Saturday evening visitor at the Herman Opfer home.



- Don't Miss these Meat Section Buys ... at Safeway**
- Peanut Butter** Skippy 12-oz. 39c
 - Peanut Butter** Swift's 12-oz. 39c
 - Salted Peanuts** Spanish 1-lb. 39c
 - Peanut Oil** Planter's 12-oz. 41c
 - Gandy** Brach's, chocolate covered peanuts 1-lb. 39c
- Fresh-frozen SEAFOODS**
- Pork Chops** Rib end, loin cuts... Lb. 39c
 - Spareribs** Small, meaty, fresh pork... Lb. 39c
 - Bacon Squares** Cello-wrapped Lb. 25c
 - Bologna** large, sliced or piece... Lb. 39c
 - Frankfurters** Swift's Premium; skinless... Pkg. 49c
 - Pork Fillets** Pan-ready... Lb. 35c
 - Beef Fillets** ... Lb. 45c
 - Cod Fillets** Ready-to-try... Lb. 29c
 - Whiting** Dressed... Lb. 15c

- LETTUCE** Extra Fine Quality **Lb. 10c**
- Tomatoes** Uniform size, firm... Carton **19c**
 - Carrots** Tops removed, small and tender... Lb. **10c**
 - Grapefruit** Florida, white "meated," seedless... Lb. **8c**
 - Navel Oranges** Sunkist, from California... Lb. **9c**
 - Rhubarb** Hot house; Pink; tender and tasty... Lb. **29c**
 - Avocados** Medium size... Each **19c**
 - Potatoes** U. S. No. 1 Grade... View Bag **65c**

- TOILET SOAP**
Lux 3 Bar Cakes **23c**
- BATH SOAP**
Camay 2 Large Cakes **23c**
- JOY SUDS**
7-oz. Btl. **30c**; 17-oz. Btl. **73c**
- BREEZE**
15-oz. Pkg. **31c**; 21-oz. Pkg. **61c**
- DEXOL BLEACH**
10-oz. Pkg. **27c**; 28-oz. Pkg. **79c**
- RINSO**
28-oz. Pkg. **28c**; 46-oz. Pkg. **55c**
- FAB SUDS**
15-oz. Pkg. **30c**; 47-oz. Pkg. **73c**
- IVORY SOAP**
2 Large Cakes **25c**
- STARCH**
Niagara... 12-oz. Pkg. **19c**
- PERFEX**
10-oz. Pkg. **21c**; 30-oz. Pkg. **55c**

BIRTHS
Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Krause are the parents of a son weighing 7 lbs. 3 oz. born Thursday in a Norfolk hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Engdahl are the parents of a son, Daniel Alven, born Sunday in a Norfolk hospital. He weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz.

Get-To-Gether Club
Hoskins' Get-To-Gether Card club met Monday evening at the Glen Frink home. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ritch were guests. At 10-point pitch prizes were awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ritch, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Behmer and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Asmus. Next meeting will be held at the Clarence Johnson home.

ALL
A.L.L. met Tuesday evening at the Lutheran school basement. Otis Wontoch conducted the business meeting. A film on bread making was shown. Howard Fuhrman, Victor Perskes and LeRoy Welch will be hosts for the next meeting to be in April. Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wagner and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Perske were hostesses.

Pinochle Club
Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Buss entertained the Pinochle club Sunday evening. All members were present and prizes went to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller, Mrs. Arthur Behmer and Charley Fuhrman.

HOSKINS NEWS

By Mrs. J. E. Pingel, Phone 73

Next meeting will be at the Arthur Behmer home March 1.

Housewarming
A group of Hoskins relatives and friends gathered at the Elmer Peters home Thursday evening. The Peters recently moved to this town from Norfolk. Prizes went to Mrs. Frank Miller, Mrs. Mattie Voss, Herman Opfer and Lee Andersen.

Oyster Supper
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jochens were oyster supper guests Saturday at the Clarence Hoeman home.

From Lincoln
Mr. and Mrs. Loren Bennett, Leanne and Carol, Lincoln, were weekend guests at the Rasmus Nielsen home.

In Iowa
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pingel left Tuesday morning for Aurelia, Ia. to attend the sale of Mr. Pingel's brother, Howard Pingel, who bought a dairy farm in Wisconsin. They will also visit in the H. A. Roggan and Leola Pingel homes at Cherokee.

Return from West Coast
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Behmer and Yvonne met Mr. and Mrs. Ed Behmer at Columbus. The Behmers have been visiting their sons and families, the Clarence and Reinhardt Behmers and other relatives and friends at Manhattan and Culver City, Calif.

Guests from Kansas
Mr. and Mrs. Gary Schultz and family, Topeka, Kan., came Monday to spend 10 days visiting Mrs. Schultz' parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wagner in the Alvin Wagner home and with Mr. Schultz' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schultz, Norfolk.

To Lincoln
Rasmus Nielsen accompanied the Loren Bennett family back to Lincoln Sunday evening to spend a week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schmitt left Saturday to stay with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Friberg, for several months. Mrs. Schmitt fell on the ice recently and broke her right arm. Mr. Schmitt has been ill and will be cared for by their daughter.

From Scottsbluff
Esther L. Ulrich, Scottsbluff, arrived home Tuesday to spend a month's vacation at the home of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Ulrich and her mother, Mrs. Lena Ulrich. She was met at Omaha by Mr. and Mrs. Erv in Ulrich.

Minnesota Guests
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nolting and Mrs. Nolting's mother, Mrs. A. Grése, Truman, Minn., were Wednesday and Thursday callers in the Rev. W. F. Sprangeler home.

Churches

Evangelical U. B. Church
(Robert Holbrook, pastor)
Sunday, Feb. 8: Sunday school at 10. Worship at 11. Youth fellowship at 7 p.m. Evening worship at 8.
Monday, Feb. 9: Youth fellowship monthly meeting, 8 p.m. Choir rehearsal, Thursday evening.

Trinity Lutheran Church
(W. F. Sprangeler, pastor)
Sunday, Feb. 8: Church service at 10. Sunday school at 11. Special meeting of the congregation after the service.

New Teacher Reports at Trinity

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nolting and Mrs. A. Grése, mother of Mrs. Nolting, Truman, Minn., were Wednesday and Thursday guests in the Carl Wontoch home.

Mr. Nolting will be staying in the Carl Wontoch home as he is planning on finishing the term at the Trinity Lutheran school. He has four years of teaching experience.

Virgil Raasch, who has been the teacher, returned to finish his term at the Dr. Martin Luther college at New Ulm, Minn.

Dorothy Jorgensen and Bernice Staffer, Norfolk, were Sunday dinner guests at the Harold Falk home.

Esther L. Ulrich was a caller in the George Schmitt home Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hartmann, Stanton, were supper guests at the Myron Deck home.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Newman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Maas and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Horbolsheimer were Friday evening visitors at the Lawrence Herbolzheimer home, Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Voecks were Tuesday evening visitors at the Marlen Voecks home.

Frances Voecks spent the weekend in the Harold Voecks home at Pierce.

Dorothy Jorgensen spent the weekend in the Harold Falk home.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Bennett, Leanne and Carol, Lincoln, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morris and family were Sunday dinner guests at the Rasmus Nielsen home in honor of Carol's first birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Strate and family were Thursday evening visitors at the J. E. Pingel home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Frank, Mary Ann and Richard visited Mrs. Pingel's father, William Brockmeier at Osmond Sunday. They were supper guests at the Emil Brockmeier home and evening visitors at the Walter Koelker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Frank, Mary Ann and Marlene were Sunday afternoon callers at the Iver Andersen home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Bruggeman, Danny and Diana were supper guests Sunday at the O. W. Christensen home, Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pingel and Richard were Friday evening supper guests at the Warner Stromberg home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lieneman and Bob, Norfolk, were Thursday evening visitors at the Henry Asmus home.

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Nob Hill Coffee 1-lb. **78c** 3-lb. **20c**

Tea Bags Canterbury, black, 48-bag **49c** 3-lb. **20c**

Corn Meal Mammy Lou; 10-oz. Pkg. **26c**

Crackers Sunshine; Krispy; 1-lb. Box **25c**

Beef Stew Dinly Moore; 10-oz. Can **49c**

Flour Kitchen Craft; 10-lb. Bag **95c**

Royal Satin Vegetable; 1-lb. Bag **83c**

Galsup Red Hill; fancy; 2 14-oz. Bottles **35c**

Potato Bread Skylark; 20-oz. Loaf **20c**

Butter Spring House; 1-lb. **79c**

Frozen Corn Bel-air; golden; 10-oz. Pkg. **19c**

Frozen Peas Bel-air; green; 10-oz. Pkg. **19c**

Paper Napkins Zee; 80-ct. Rainbow; pak. Pkg. **14c**

Toilet Soap Sweetheart; 3 Bar. **23c**

White Magic Suds 3-pkg. **29c**

Boraxo Cleans grime from hands; Can. **18c**

Toilet Tissue Northern; 3 Rolls **25c**

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WAKEFIELD

Farmers Union Local 277 Will Meet Friday Night

A committee met Saturday evening in the Lawrence Fischer home to make plans for the annual meeting and oyster supper of the Farmers Union local 277 to be held Feb. 6.

Arizona Relatives Here. Mr. and Mrs. Kiehl Kirkwood, Paul and Jane, Tucson, Ariz., came Friday to visit in the parental Walter Haglund home. Mr. Kirkwood left Sunday for Wichita, Kan., where he will begin four weeks specialized training at the Boeing Aircraft company. Mrs. Kirkwood remained to visit relatives and friends.

To California. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hyspe left Monday to visit in the George Inman and Elmer Strom home in California. They will be away in a matter of days. Fred Sandahl is staying in the Hyspe home in their absence.

Churches

Salern Lutheran Church (Ernest Nelson, vice-pastor) Sunday, Feb. 8: Sunday school and Bible class at 9:45 a. m. Worship service at 11 a. m. Young Women's Missionary society at 2:30 p. m. Dorcas society meets Thursday, Feb. 5, at 8 p. m. in the church parlors. The husbands will be guests at this meeting. Choir rehearsal at 7:30 p. m. in the church auditorium. Confirmation class at 7:30 p. m. in the upstairs Sunday school rooms. Lutheran Brotherhood, Monday, Feb. 9, at 8 p. m.

English St. John's Lutheran Church (Robert E. Kruse, pastor) Sunday, Feb. 8: Sunday school and Bible class at 10 a. m. Divine service with Holy Communion at 10:45. Waltham league meets Thursday at 8 p. m. Ladies aid meets Friday at 2:30 with Mrs. George Anderson and Mrs. Kenneth Baker and Olga Walter, hostesses. Church school Saturday, 2 p. m. Registration for communion at the parsonage Saturday, 4 to 10 p. m.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church (Harold Kieck, pastor) Saturday confirmation classes at 2 p. m. Sunday, Feb. 8: Sunday school and Bible class at 9:30 a. m. Divine worship at 10:45 a. m. Monday choir rehearsal at 8 p. m. Thursday, Feb. 12: Ladies aid at 2 p. m. Mrs. Louie Hanson and Mrs. Bill Longe will serve.

Christian Church (Merlin M. Wright, pastor) Sunday, Feb. 8: Sunday school 10 a. m. Worship and communion at 11 a. m. Evening service hour at 7:30. Senior youth council at 6:30. Thursday, Bible study hour at 7:30. Choir rehearsal at 8:30 p. m.

Covenant Church (Melvin O. Pedersen, pastor) Thursday, Bible study, 8 p. m. Sunday, Feb. 8: Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning worship at 11. Evening service at 7:30. Tuesday, Feb. 10: Brotherhood at 8 p. m. Wednesday, Feb. 11: Ladies aid at 2 p. m.

Presbyterian Church (Ronald Buskirk, pastor) Thursday, Westminster Federation. Sunday, Feb. 8: Sunday school at 10 a. m. Worship service at 11 a. m. Scout Sunday. Thursday, elders and trustees at 7:30. Choir rehearsal at 7:30. Saturday, confirmation class at 10 a. m. Sunday evening, Fellowship and pot luck supper at 5 p. m.

Lincoln Guests Mrs. Abner Pearson and Harlan Lincoln, visited in the Byron Hedon home Thursday.

In Colorado Art Felt and Myron spent last weekend with the Don Felt family in Greeley, Colo.

Lois Anderson, Omaha, spent the weekend in the Albert Anderson home.

WAKEFIELD NEWS

By Mrs. Marvin Linder, phone 134

SOCIETY ... Hospital Notes

WSSC The WSSC of the Methodist church will meet with Mrs. Harold Miner Thursday afternoon, Feb. 5.

Mary Martha Mary Martha met Thursday with Mrs. Harry Wendel. Mrs. Reuben Johnson was co-hostess. Several visitors were present.

Even Six Mrs. Ben Chase entertained the "Even 6" club Thursday afternoon.

Thursday Club A Thursday club committee meeting was held Friday afternoon in the Harold Oberg home. Plans were made for a farewell party to be given for the Paul Fischer family who will move from this community in the spring.

Former Resident Ill Word has been received that Lem Potter, former resident of Wakefield is seriously ill in a hospital in Washington state.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pape, Emerson, spent Tuesday afternoon in the Giles Cline home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Harding Macfie and Bob, Mrs. C. K. Fischer and Loren Olson were last Sunday dinner guests in the Paul Fischer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Bard and family visited Sunday afternoon and evening in the Ivan Anderson home at Concord.

Mrs. Elmer Felt and Lavonne spent Friday and Saturday in the Clayton Andrews home in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Van and Roger Madison, spent Saturday afternoon and evening in the Paul Soderberg home.

Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Busby and Jimmy were supper guests in the Harry Connor home Saturday evening.

Mrs. Elsie Eckerth entertained friends and neighbors last Tuesday afternoon to celebrate her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Haglund and Rodney and Cora Haglund were in the Walter Haglund home Friday evening to visit with the Seth Kirkwoods.

Friends and relatives called on Mrs. Anna Larson in her home Thursday afternoon. Cooperative lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jahnke visited in the A. W. Dolph home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jahnke and Duval were supper guests in the Bill Dahlman home at Ponder last Sunday evening. They visited with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Meyer while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Bard and family visited in the Alfred Hiltz home Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hofeldt and sons, Colorado, were Friday evening visitors in the Ross Wheeler home.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Becker, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fouschke were visitors in the Ben Chase home last Monday evening.

and Mrs. Marlen Behrens of Plainview Sunday evening. Mr. Behrens is a nephew of Mrs. Hitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jensen, Omaha, came Tuesday to visit until Sunday in the Fred Lehman and Harry Echtenkamp homes.

Dinner guests in the Fred Lundin home last Sunday included Rev. and Mrs. Melvin Pedersen and family, Rufin Casper, missionary from the southern mountains and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Jensen and family. Evening guests following services were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Royold Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Anderson and family visited in the Elvis Olson home last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Baker and daughters were visitors in the W. F. Schroeder home at Wayne last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Derseh were Thursday evening visitors in the William Wascher home at West Point.

NORTHEAST Wayne
By Staff Correspondent

Mrs. Levi Giese returned Thursday from Oregon, California and Texas after visiting relatives since Dec. 17.

Mrs. Otto Hinnerichs and Ruby were at the Julius Hinnerichs home for a Mrs. Hinnerichs' birthday celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. George Meyer and family called Friday morning at the home of Mrs. Otto Hinnerichs and Ruby.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hansen and family were at the Elmer Hiltz home last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hale were at the Mary Krogstad home in Verdel last Sunday.

Mrs. Anna Meier and sons were at the Elder Lubberstedt home last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldor Lubberstedt and family were at the Russell Lutt home Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gildersteve and Renee and Yvonne Noyes were luncheon guests of Glenn Granquist last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Granquist and family were at the Anton Granquist home Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Ager, Hay Springs, were at the Mark Strang home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Roberts spent Thursday evening at the August Loomans.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Lutt were in Hutchinson Tuesday to visit Mrs. Lutt's grandmother, Mrs. J. A. Glaugh, who is ill with the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Anderson and family visited at the Russell Lutt home Thursday evening.

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It was during one of the winter's heaviest snowfalls that the line from Richardson to Pine Pass went out. Finding the trouble was comparatively easy — line testing equipment located it two miles up in the mountains near Eagle Falls.

Fixing the line was something else again. With drifts up to 30 feet high in the pass, trucks were out of the question. Carrying tools and wire through the snow was too much — even for rugged telephone linemen.

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With a team of Huskies and their trainer, repairmen Ed Olds and Jack White mushed their way up the mountainside. Roped together for safety, they crawled out on the frozen crust and spliced the wire.

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NEBRASKA FARM OUTLOOK

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"Our Roots are In This Land"

The General Economic Situation

The agricultural cost-price relationship has entered a new phase — particularly for Nebraska farmers. This is because of the continued steady decline in farm prices, while farm costs continue to rise or level off. The parity ratio — that ratio between the prices farmers receive for the things they sell and the cost of the things they buy — stood at 96 for the U. S. as a whole and 98 for Nebraska. Whenever the parity ratio is less than 100, farmers are experiencing a so-called disadvantage — farm costs are relatively higher than farm prices compared to what they were during the period 1910 to 1914. And similarly, if the parity ratio is above 100, then farmers have a so-called advantage. The December 15, 1952 Nebraska parity ratio of 98 is the first time that the ratio has been below 100 since World War II. Since World War II, only once has the ratio approached 100 in Nebraska; and that was in January, 1950 when the ratio stood at 101. Beginning November, 1952, the parity ratio for the U. S. has not been below 100 since June, 1950. Prospects for an improvement are slight because of expected: (1) lower farm prices, (2) little or no change in farm costs; (3) reduced agricultural exports and (4) an economy minded administration.



Cattle

40% More
On Feed

Seasonal factors are due to show up in the fat cattle market. Better grade prices usually show weakness because of heavier shipments and lower grades show strength. At Omaha, during 1952 the average price of all grades of fat cattle dropped \$7.87 per cwt. (24.1%). During the same period, grade "good" feeder cattle dropped \$7.75 per cwt. (26.5%). As of Jan. 1, 1953, there were about 40% more cattle on feed in Nebraska than a year ago.

Poultry and Egg Situation

Egg producers are expected to make more money in 1953 than the relatively poor year of 1952. A high level of consumption, fewer eggs, higher egg prices and production costs remaining at the 1952 level are the key factors in the Outlook for 1953.

With the continuing high rate of economic activity and an expected 2 1/4 mil-

lion increase in population, consumer demand for food will be at least as strong this year as in 1952.

Egg production for the year is expected to drop below the all time record high production of 1952. The potential laying flock on the first of January was estimated to be 2 to 4% below a year ago. Egg production during January and February will equal that of last year, but production in March is likely to drop 4 to 5% below March of 1952. The increase in the rate of lay will probably offset the decrease in the number of layers during January and February, so the decrease in production will not show up until late February or early March.

Higher Egg Prices in Spring

In the storage picture, shell egg holdings on the first of December were a little above the 1947-51 average for this date, but there was a shortage of frozen eggs. Frozen egg stocks were one-third below the 1947-51 average. All of this

Hogs

Smaller
Pig Crop



Hog prices have weakened after a sharp increase in mid-December. Prices during remainder of winter expected to be above normal lows of a year ago. The 1953 spring pig crop is expected to be 15% smaller than 1952 for the U. S., and 16% smaller for Nebraska.

should add to higher prices in the spring. The most optimistic guesses are that eggs will be 4 to 5 cents a dozen above the price received last spring — however, eggs may be as much as 7 or 8 cents higher in Nebraska.

With higher egg prices and feed costs remaining about the same, the egg-feed ratio is expected to improve as much as 10%. If it does, the number of chickens raised this spring may increase as much as 5% above the 1952 output. The decrease in the number of chickens raised last year was confined to the late season hatch (April, May and June) when the egg-feed ratio was very unfavorable. The weighted egg-feed price ratio for 1952 was 9.0 lbs. of feed as compared to 11.4 lbs. in 1951. (The egg-feed price ratio means: Number of pounds of the ratio equivalent in value at local market to the value of one dozen eggs.) If this ratio remains favorable in April and May, there will probably be a much larger late hatch this year. It appears that January and February will be the best months to start your chicks for flock replacement.

More Commercial Broilers Expected

Commercial broiler production has increased almost every year since 1934. The production in 1952 was about 10% above 1951, the largest on record. There has been a 25% a year increase in com-

mercial broiler production for the last four years previous to 1952. The USDA estimates a "moderate expansion" for the U. S. during 1953. The estimates range from 5 to 10% above last year — with some areas showing more increases than others. The disease problem may slow down expansion in the older commercial areas, where the trend is toward a slower rate of expansion.

With the increase in production and a good supply of red meat, broiler prices in 1953 are expected to average slightly below 1952. The seasonal average price doesn't mean much to the typical broiler grower who sells birds only 3 or 4 times during the year. It is the price on the 3 or 4 days that the birds are marketed which influence his profits. As in the past, prices are likely to show considerable week to week fluctuations. It is very difficult to estimate broiler prices beyond 10 to 13 weeks, because of erratic changes in weekly chick placements.

Fewer Turkeys in 1953

The general feeling is that fewer turkeys will be produced this year than the record of 59 million produced in 1952. The Department of Agriculture has purchased more than 46 million pounds of the 1952 crop, and cold storage hold-

Corn . . .

Of the record crop of almost 262 million bushels in Nebraska, almost 14 million was under price supports Dec. 15, 1952. Of the 3.3 billion in U. S., 100.3 million under supports.

ings on the 1st of December were at an all time high.

The reduction in Beltsville Whites may be more than 10%. Because of the poor early season in 1952, many of the early Beltsville breeder hens were marketed. Now, there is a short supply of hatching eggs for turkey broilers and fryers. It may be July before an increased supply comes on the market.

The production of the larger turkeys is not expected to increase this year, since 1952 prices were not very good and the large storage holdings are likely to keep prices down the first half of 1953. The January report on the number of breeders on farms, farmers' intentions to grow turkeys and cold storage holdings will be better indicators for estimating the 1953 turkey crop.

The Land Market Situation

Land market activity was slower in 1952 than in 1950-51. For the nation as a whole, one of the peak years in activity was 1947 when 57 farms out of 1,000 changed hands. For 1952 the transfer rate has been estimated at 37 farms per 1,000.

From 1940 to 1948 there was a continuous advance in land prices in Nebraska and in most parts of the nation. From 1948 to 1950 there was a leveling off in land prices due mainly to lower net farm income. In mid-year, 1950,

the Korean War reversed the trend in prices and the demand for land strengthened. From 1948 to 1952 the statewide land price index in Nebraska advanced 25%.

In spite of the distinct advance in Nebraska land prices since 1950, the statewide average has not reached the 1920 level. For the nation as a whole the average land price level is higher than in 1920. This is not the case in Nebraska.

Why Land Values Change

Interest in land as an investment rises and declines with farm income and anticipated changes in prices and income. Periodic spurts in land market activity and in land prices follow a high-income era. Likewise, declining farm income

Wheat . . .

Crop prospects are spotty. No doubt the total winter wheat crop will be much smaller in 1953. Smaller crop should tend to strengthen prices, but huge carry overs from last year and reduced foreign demand plus possibility of end of Wheat Agreement will weaken them.

has a cooling effect on the land market. There is no magic by which land prices can be held up as farm income declines. For the present at least the threat of inflation is less formidable. In view of the changes in the agricultural situation the attention of some investors has turned to other more manageable investments.

The farm mortgage situation is changing also. A larger per cent of the buyers need credit to complete a transaction. Leaders are willing to loan larger amounts per acre on land than 10 years ago but larger down payments are expected. Thus it becomes more difficult to buy a farm. These tendencies are especially understandable in the Great Plains in view of the threat of drought and the likely decline in net farm income.

During and after World Wars I and II land prices in Nebraska continued to rise after the parity ratio began to decline. (The parity ratio is the ratio of prices farmers receive for the things they sell divided by the prices they pay for the things they buy.)

Land Prices Generally Weak

The net effect of prevailing influences points in the direction of a leveling off of land prices in most areas of Nebraska and price drops in some localities. Two wars in close succession have stimulated agriculture, as well as other segments of the economy. Recurring threats of war would maintain interest in land as an investment.

If a new outbreak of war is averted production adjustments are in the offing. In spite of population growth and full employment certain production adjustments are imminent. Downward adjustments in prices received by farmers and firmer increasing costs are depressing factors in the land market. Land price adjustments might well be anticipated, especially in areas in which agriculture is exposed to the risks of drought and lower net income.

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